(ഇ) കഴിഞ്ഞ കൊല്ലം ഈ പണിക്കു് നൽന്ന കു. ചിലവായിട്ടുണ്ടു് ഈ കൊല്ലത്തിലെ പണിക്കു് ഒരു കു.യാണു് എസ്റ്റിമേറു് സംഖ്യ.

AQUEDUCT IN ALOOR VILLAGE—REPAIRS TO—RESOLUTION REGARDING

317. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* With reference to question No. 216 dated 31st January 1941, will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the President of the meeting to whom a full report made by the Assistant Engineer was forwarded has not, in his letter dated 21st November 1940, challenged many of the statements contained in the report referred to ;

(*b*) whether the President of the meeting had not in his aforeme-ntioned letter stated that he was prepared to prove his statement if the Chief Engineer would visit the place ;

(*c*) whether the Chief Engineer visited the place ;

(*d*) whether the President of the meeting had pointed out in his letter dated 21st November 1940 that such useful irrigation works are rendered almost useless by continued neglect?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):*

(*a*) Mr. K. T. Mathew in his letter dated 21st November 1940 stated that there are bad leakages in the trough carrying water to the lands. Action has been taken to effect the necessary repairs. He further stated that the maintenance of the *chals* is not being done by the ryots. The Public Works Department do not maintain petty irrigation channels of this nature.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) No. The Assistant Engineer, Eastern Division, has been asked to attend to whatever works as are necessary.

(*d*) Yes. But from information received the lands commanded by this work have been successfully cultivated during the last season.

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